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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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1. IN CONVERSATION ITH E/C COUNS AND EMBASSY OFFICER TODAY, DR. SUHADI (DIRECTOR GENERAL IN MINISTRY OF TRADE) INFORMED US THAT MINISTER OF TRADE RADIUS PRAWIRO HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE (PRAWIRO) WOULD DEFINITELY LEAD INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO U.S. - ASEAN MEETING IN MANILA. SUHADI SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO HIMSELF THE DELEGATION WOULD ALSO INCLUDE DR. MOOY (DEPUTY MINISTER AT BAPPENAS) AND AMBASSADOR ARIFIN (DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS IN FOREIGN MINISTRY). THERE WOULD BE OTHERS ON THE INDONESIAN DELEGATION BUT THIS HAD NOT YET BEEN FIRMED UP.

2. SUHADI WAS UNCERTAIN WHETHER THE SPECIAL SENIOR ASEAN OFFICIALS MEETING IN MAINLA AUGUST 26-28 WOULD  
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TAKE PLACE, INDICATING THAT HE HAD JUST DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH ARIFIN AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. SUHADI SEEMED TO THINK THIS MEETING MAY NOT TAKE PLACE OR WOULD BE SCALED DOWN IN THE LEVEL OF PARTICIPANTS. ACCORDING TO SUHADI, HE AND PRAWIRO WILL BE TRAVELING TO PATTAYA ON SEPTEMBER 2 FOR THE SEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS MEETING AND PROBABLY PROCEED FROM THERE

DIRCTLY TO MANILA FOR THE U.S.- ASEAN CONSULTATIONS. THE PATTAYA MEETING WOULD SERVE SEVERAL PURPOSES, ONE OF WHICH IS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSINS ON ASEAN PROJECTS. THE SAME MEETING WOULD BE USED TO PREPARE FOR THE MANILA DIALOGUE WITH THE U.S. SUHADI SAID THAT HE WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE AGENDA FOR THE MANILA MEETING (MANILA 12864).

3. SUHADI LISTED THE PRIMARY GOI INTERSTS IN THE UPCOMING U.S. DIALOGUE AS FOLLOWS: (1) IMPROVED ACCESS TO DC MARKETS EITHER THROUGH GSP OR MTN; (2) U.S. SUPPORT FOR COMMODITIES SUPPORT SCHEMES INCLUDING COMMON FUND AND STOCKING ARRANGEMENTS AND ALSO OTHER MEANS OF STABILIZATION FOR COMODITIES. HE MENTIONED STABEX WHICH HE VIEWED AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE IMF COMPENSATORY SCHEME. HE SAID TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS ON STABEX WILL BEGIN WITH JAPANESE. HE ADDED THAT THE GOI WILL SUPPORT EFFORTS TO GLOBALIZE THE EEC-ACP AGREEMENT. (3) INCREASED DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE THROUGH BOTH INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL MEANS, AND (4) PRIVATE INVESTMENT. IN THIS REGARD HE MENTIONED THAT BARLI HALIM (CHAIRMAN OF BKPM) MAY GO TO PATTAYA MEETING BUT DID NOT MENTION WHETHER HE WOULD GO ON TO MANILA.

4. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, SUHADI SAID THE FIRST  
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SESSION OF THE JAPANESE DIALOGUE HAD BEEN HASTY AND ILL-PREPARED. TECHNICAL ASPECTS HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED BY TECHNICAL MINISTERS BUT ONLY BY FOREIGN MINISTERS AND THIS LED TO MUCH DISSATISFACTION ON ALL PARTIS. THIS TIME MUCH MORE THOROUGH PREPARATION HAS BEEN MADE AND SUHADI ACCORDINGLY EXPECTS GREATER RESULTS. HE HOPED THE ECONOMIC MINISTERS WOULD PLAY A LARGE ROLE. HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE MEETING MAY DEPEND ON HOW IT IS CONDUCTED, NOTING THAT WHEN IN TOKYO RECENTLY, MINISTER RADIUS HAD BEEN ABLE TO SET AN INFORMAL TONE WITH THE JANAPANESE THUS ACHIEVING GREATER RESULTS.  
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